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SHOCKING DEATH.

James G. Sharpe of Licking Creek Fatally Injured by Stable Horse Tuesday Morning.

WAS LEADING THE ANIMAL TO WATER

Fresh in the minds of the people of Licking Creek township are the incidents connected with the death of Allura, the fourteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Daniels, last August, who was trampled to death by an infuriated bull in a pasture field on her father's farm, whither she had gone in the evening of that summer day to drive home the cows. Now, from the same neighborhood comes the story of a death little less shocking in its details, where the victim was in the full strength of manhood.

With his half brother Edward and family who live on the old home farm of their father, the late John Sharpe, about a half mile north of Greenhill, James G. Sharpe aged about forty years and unmarried, had his home.

Tuesday morning, Edward Sharpe went to Seth Mellott's sawmill to work. About seven o'clock, James went to the barn to do the feeding and water the stock. Sometime afterward, Ella, the little seven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sharpe toddled out to the barn, but soon returned to the house to tell her mother to come out—"Uncle Jim is hurt and all bloody!"

Among other horses in the stables was a stallion. This horse was not known to be vicious, and was worked in the team hauling lumber and doing other work, and seemed perfectly safe and gentle.

As soon as little Ella told her mother that Uncle Jim was hurt, the mother hastened to the barn, and found James lying upon the ground, attempting to rest his head in his hand supported by his elbow. James was all bruised and bleeding, his clothing torn—the nearly new cord coat he was wearing being almost torn to shreds; and while he was able to look up and recognize his sister-in-law, he was unable to speak. The stallion with bridle on, was standing near, not showing any signs of excitement. Mrs. Sharpe's first impulse was to lead the horse back into the stable, and she took hold of the bridle and started; but just then she thought of the danger in leading the horse behind the other horses in the stable, and she let the horse go at will.

Isaiah Kline, who lives just near, was called, and came at once, and with his assistance, James was taken to the house. Other neighbors were summoned a doctor sent for, but in about forty-five minutes from the time the accident was discovered, James was dead.

It was not until some time in the afternoon that Dr. George M. Robinson, of McConnellsburg, arrived on the scene, and issued the formal death certificate.

Just how it happened will, perhaps, never be known.

The barn is a bank barn on the south side of a road leading east and west. The barn faces the south. It was necessary to lead the horse out of the stable, bring him around the end of the barn and into the road. When found, James was lying at the end of the barn near the road. From the torn-up condition of the ground near, it is evident that a mighty struggle took place between James and the horse. The almost entire demolition of an ear, the lacerations and bruises on his face and body, the shredded condition of his clothing, the apparent hoof marks on his chest as though the horse had been pawing him after he had fallen—all indicate that the horse had caused his death.

A whip found lying on the ground near, suggests the theory that the horse had become unruly

DEATH OF A NONOGENARIAN.

Mrs. Rachel Yingling, of Shore Valley, Lived to the Advanced Age of 93 Years, 6 Months, and 5 Days.

Born on the 22nd of August, 1816; born before the election of James Monroe as president of the United States; born before the introduction of railroads, trolley lines, automobiles, sewing machines, reapers, mowers, and all the rest of the long list of improved farm machinery, and living to see the most progressive century in the world's history.—Mrs. Rachel Yingling, died at the home of her son, Ephraim Yingling, Jr., in Shore Valley, Huntingdon county, on the 27th of February, 1910, aged 93 years, 6 months, and 5 days.

Her funeral, conducted by Rev. Reidel, of the Church of God, took place on the last day of February, and her remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Bethel church, New Grenada.

Grandmother Yingling was one of those good, quiet, unassuming, motherly souls, whose very presence was a benediction to those about her. During the latter days of her life, when her physical strength had become impaired by age, she spent much of her time reading the Bible. She read it again and again—not as a matter of habit, but for the constant source of comfort and inspiration; it was to her a well of living water, springing up into eternal life.

At the age of twenty-five, she was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal church; but later, she transferred her church membership to the United Brethren denomination, and lived an exemplary life until the final summons came.

Owing to her advanced age; to the fact that she had outlived nearly all her family, and that the few left are living in distant parts but one of her blood relatives was present at her funeral, and that was a grand daughter.

Her son Ephraim, with whom she had her home, is seriously ill, and has been for some time. His daughter Nellie is now lying very low with pneumonia. Surely, the family is entitled to the sympathy of the community in which they reside.

HOUSE FLY MUST GO.

Government Will Inaugurate Campaign Against Summer Pest.

Washington, D. C., March 7.—A concerted, country wide attack is to be made on the house fly this year, according to Chief Entomologist Howard who testified today before a House committee.

When spring begins hundreds of scientists, aided by laborers, drugs and chemicals and mechanical "killers" will try to drive the household pest out of existence. Dr. Howard says the campaign will be opened in the country districts and the department will issue a farmers' bulletin giving advice as to the flies are responsible for and how to eradicate them.

Dyson F. Fraker and Elmer Fraker, of Fort Littleton, spent a few hours at the County Seat last Saturday.

and that James had undertaken to whip the horse into submission. The deceased was a son of the late John Sharpe and his wife Ruth (Strait) Sharpe, and is survived by two full sisters, Jessie, wife of T. Irvin Sipes, and Annie, wife of Harry C. Mumma. Edward, already mentioned; Jacob, of Knobsville; William, somewhere in the West; Eureka, wife of Elias Deshong; Agnes, wife of James Taylor, near Hestontown, and Lucina Redolph, of Baltimore, are half brothers and sisters.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon, and interment was made in the cemetery at the Siding Hill Christian church.

PLANTS AND THEIR PESTS.

Weekly Bulletin on Timely Topics Issued by the State Department of Agriculture.

AIR-SLAKED VS. FRESH LIME.

A Northampton county farmer, who intends commencing the spraying of his fruit trees, as early in the spring as possible, to rid them of scale insects, wrote to Professor H. A. Surface, State Zoologist, Harrisburg, inquiring whether air-slaked lime is as good as that slaked with water for the making of the lime-sulphur wash. He stated that he has some lime that was bought at the kiln about two months ago, which is now air-slaked, and he is unable to get any fresh lime at this time.

Professor Surface's answer was as follows:

"Replying to your letter asking if air-slaked lime will do as well as fresh burned lime. I beg to say that after it has become thoroughly air-slaked it will not do at all for making the lime sulphur wash, which is the best preparation for destroying San Jose scale. If it is not thoroughly air-slaked, or has been slaked but very recently, it may serve the purpose, but when it has crumbled to a powder it should be avoided.

"The thing to do is to get your fresh burned lime when you can, and put it into a barrel, a little at a time, and slake it, and as soon as you get the barrel full of the lime thus slaked, pour water on it; of course, being careful to let it become slaked before attempting to fill the barrel. Keep it under water all the time, and you can take it out in the form of a paste, like thick putty, and use it in boiling your lime-sulphur wash or making Bordeaux mixture. It will be as efficient as the fresh lime. A knowledge of this will save you considerable trouble and time."

Cheap Night Telegrams.

Beginning with Monday, of this week, the Western Union Telegraph Company started its new night letter service. This means, as far as the McConnellsburg office is concerned, that a message of fifty words filed at the Western Union office not later than 8 o'clock in the evening, will be sent to any city or town in the United States where the Company has an office, and delivered the next morning, for the price of one day message of ten words. If more than ten words are sent, one fifth of the day rate will be added for each ten words or less.

To illustrate: The day rate from McConnellsburg to Bedford or Harrisburg is 25 cents. By the new night letter service, 50 words may be sent to either place (or to any other place where the rate is 25 cents) for twenty-five cents. Sixty words may be sent for thirty cents; seventy words for thirty five cents, &c. In the same way, fifty words may be sent to San Francisco for one dollar. There is no limit to the number of words that may be included in the "night letter," but no code words will be allowed, and the messages must be written in plain English.

Miss Bess Patterson is the owner of the first concealed player piano brought to Fulton county. It is a Lester, and was installed into her home last week by Mr. L. W. Funk. Miss Patterson is delighted with the instrument, and well she may be, for it is a beauty. While this is not an advertisement, it might be added here that any person contemplating the purchase of a piano, would do well to consult Mr. Funk. He has now on exhibition at Harry Hamill's furniture rooms in this place, a Weaver piano, that is entirely all-right. Whatever Mr. Funk tells you about an instrument, you can depend upon. He will not "do you."

Union Cemetery.

The first chartered cemetery association in this county was formed in 1878, and a plot of ground four miles south of McConnellsburg, on the road leading from McConnellsburg was purchased, laid off in lots, and placed in control of officers elected in accordance with the provisions of the charter, and named Union Cemetery.

Prior to that time it was customary to bury the dead in graveyards, usually at the churches. Hence many of the older towns in this county have graveyards within the borough limits. McConnellsburg has a population according to the last census, of 576 people, and within the corporate limits are four graveyards, and a fifth immediately adjacent to the Borough—the Old Reformed graveyard.

Partly on account of sanitary considerations, and partly on account of the fact that the Town graveyards were filled almost to the limit of space, citizens of Ayr township, about forty years ago, began to agitate the necessity for a public burying ground to be under corporate management. Had the people of McConnellsburg at that time entered heartily into the movement, the proposed cemetery would have been located near town; but when they manifested entire indifference, the Ayr township people went ahead, and, of course, located it at a point most convenient to themselves.

Union cemetery is an ideal burying ground. It lies high enough to be free from water, and the soil is practically free of rocks. For the following facts we are indebted to the present sexton, Elmer J. Seiders: Number of acres belonging to the Association, 5½, of which 3½ are within the present enclosure, and 2 acres lie outside the enclosure, and will be taken in as it may be needed. In the present enclosure are 348 lots, 272 of which have been sold.

The first person buried in Union Cemetery was William Kendall, an uncle of John F. and David M. Kendall, who now live in the Cove. He was buried on the 12th of November, 1878. The second interment was the remains of James Johnston, father of Archie W. Johnston, also a resident of the Cove.

Since its establishment there have been 466 persons buried there, thirty, during 1909, and six during February of this year.

THOMPSON.

This community was shocked last Sunday morning on learning of the death of Miss Lura Humbert.

Mrs. Raymond Littón is seriously ill.

Harry Atkinson and wife recently spent from Sunday until Monday with Mrs. Atkinson's parents B. R. Simpson and wife, Mrs. Atkinson is now in Philadelphia laying in her Spring and Summer millinery.

Thompson has just awakened to literary work. A society has recently been organized at Board Yard. A meeting was held at that place last Saturday evening attended by a large and interested crowd. The Bald Eagle Society will meet Saturday night of this week.

Miss Anna Shultz, of Buck Valley, visited friends here last week.

Miss Mattie Winters spent last Sunday with her cousin Etta Douglass.

John Rockwell and Harry Hoch, of Mercersburg, were visiting friends and relatives in Thompson recently.

Miss Nettie Yeagle has returned home after having spent some time in Mercersburg.

Mrs. Hart Evans has been seriously ill. We are glad to say she is slowly improving.

Rev. Powers spent Sunday at J. C. Douglass'.

RECORD OF DEATHS.

Persons Well Known to Many of Our Readers, Who Have Answered Final Summons.

ALL SEASONS ARE THINE, O DEATH.

BARTON.

Mrs. Sarah E. Barton, widow of the late Joshua Barton, died at the home of her son, J. C. Barton, at Crystal Springs, Thursday night, 24th ult., at the advanced age of 80 years. Mrs. Barton had been a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church for many years, was devoted to her family, kind as a neighbor, and was a venerable mother in Israel, loved by all who knew her. She is survived by three sons, J. C., M. E. and H. N. Barton, all of Crystal Springs, and two daughters, Mrs. Preston Dishong, of Everett, and Mrs. B. F. Whitfield, of Crystal Springs. Her husband has been dead several years. The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. Charles F. Weise, in McKendree Methodist Episcopal church, where interment was made. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends.

HUMBERT.

Lura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Humbert, died at their home near Big Cove Tannery, March 6, 1910, aged 14 years, 9 months, and 13 days. Short funeral services were held at the home at 1 o'clock, Monday afternoon, after which the remains were taken to the Lutheran church near Big Cove Tannery where the funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Rice, of the Reformed church, McConnellsburg. Interment was made in the cemetery at that church. Lura had been an invalid all her life; and while her parents had done everything for her that loving hearts could inspire, it was the will of her Heavenly Father, that Lura should pass on to that house of many mansions, there to wait in blissful expectancy the coming of her loved ones of earth.

PLEASANT RIDGE.

Ideal Spring weather prevailed during the first week of March.

Mrs. David Kline spent last week in the home of her brother, Henry Deshong.

Ora Deshong is now being employed in the home of Geo. Sipes. E. W. Swope's new house is just about completed. He expects to move into it this week.

Reuben Mellott spent last Saturday evening in the home of his sister, Mrs. Henry Shaw, at Gapsville.

The sick people in this community are Will Daniels, E. R. Mellott, Mrs. Mary Swope, and Zoe Mellott.

Daisy Mellott spent last Sunday very pleasantly with Mary Deshong.

David Kline and wife spent last Sunday at Isaiah Layton's.

Ed Mellott and wife spent part of last Thursday in the home of the former's sister, Mrs. Hartman Truax.

Mary and Belle Mellott spent part of last Sunday in the home of E. R. Mellott.

There will be preaching at the Siding Hill Christian church next Sunday, at 10 o'clock, and Christian Endeavor in the evening. Everybody invited to attend.

Rev. McGarvey preached his farewell sermon at Ebenezer last Sunday afternoon.

Vernon Deshong spent last Sunday at E. V. Mellott's.

Ed Strait and wife, Aaron Deshong, Norman Akers, Walter Fohner, Watson and Ross Deshong, Gertrude Mellott, and Blanche Sharp, spent last Sunday afternoon very pleasantly at E. W. Swope's.

Misses Jennie Peck and Nellie Gordon, of Mercersburg, spent Wednesday among friends on this side of the mountain.

THE BEDFORD LICENSE COURT.

Number of Liquor Licenses Reduced from 25 to 7. All Wholesalers and Distillers Refused.

The liquor license question has overshadowed every other interest among the people of Bedford county for several months; and as the licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in that county are granted (or refused) in March, instead of in January as in this county, last Wednesday, which was the day set for hearing the applications, saw the Court House filled to its utmost seating capacity with citizens from every part of the old mother county. Both the liquor people and the anti-license people were well organized, and were represented by able attorneys.

The President Judge of that county is Joseph M. Wood, who is famous for casting his vote in a year ago with that of one of his Associates, and thus turning down every application for license in Mifflin County. The same thing was done in Mifflin again this year. At the election last fall Bedford county elected John W. Huff, of Saxton, who before his election was pledged to vote against every application for liquor license, and when the opportunity came last week to make good his promise, his vote was cast against every one of the twenty-two applications for retail, and the three applications for wholesaler's and distiller's license. With the exception of five, the other associate judge, Wm. Brice, voted to grant licenses to all the other applicants. Judge Wood's vote went with Associate Brice's in seven instances, and in consequence, seven places were licensed: The Bedford Springs, three hotels in Bedford, two in Everett, and one in Hyndman.

Judge Woods announced the following rules to be observed by the hotel keepers who were granted licenses; same to be printed and displayed in the hotel:

1. All bars to close at 10 o'clock p. m., and remain closed all night.
2. Bars to be closed Memorial Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas.
3. No screens allowed in bars or windows.
4. No treating or selling by the bottle permitted.
5. Not to sell liquor to any person who shows signs of having been drinking.

The rule against treating and bottle selling is, perhaps, the most drastic of all.

The action of the court is a surprise to the whole county. It was generally predicted that all licenses would be refused.

Saxton, Hopewell and the Broad Top districts will all be dry during the coming year. Every license in that section was refused.

Mann's Choice and New Buena Vista will also be dry.

The three distilleries in the county can still manufacture whiskey under the government license, but they cannot sell it except in the original package, which is a barrel. They cannot sell by the gallon or quart as heretofore.

Will Codify Election Laws.

The election commission, authorized to advise and codify the election laws, have agreed on plans for codifying the laws and information sought from different experts. Letters were sent to the Republican and Democratic county chairmen in the State and to secretaries of State in this county seeking information on election laws and suggestions regarding changes.

After the laws have been codified the commission will hold public sessions and make a short tour of the State. The tour will be made early in June. The impression prevails that none of the reform laws of 1906 will be suggested for repeal, but changes which have been deemed necessary will probably be recommended.

ABOUT PEOPLE YOU KNOW

Snapshots at Their Comings and Goings Here for a Vacation, or Away for a Restful Outing.

NAMES OF VISITORS AND VISITED

W. L. Cline, of Fort Littleton, called at the News office while in town last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Mayne, of Fort Littleton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Stoner, of town.

Mr. D. D. Hann, of Belfast township, has been in poor health during most of the winter.

T. M. Cisney, of Burnt Cabins, was in town attending to business last Friday.

Mr. D. S. Maun and son J. C. Maun, spent Monday making a business trip to Chambersburg.

Miss Catharine Robertson, of Webster Mills, is a guest of D. F. Trout and wife at the Willows this week.

J. C. McGowan and D. P. Bowman, of Burnt Cabins were registered at the City Hotel, last Saturday.

J. H. Baldwin, of Burnt Cabins, and his father, Mr. Elijah Baldwin, registered at the Fulton House last Saturday.

Mrs. Leslie W. Seylar, left Tuesday morning for a two-weeks' visit in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ed Brooks in Baltimore, Md.

George Fox and family, of Williamson, spent last Sunday in the home of Mrs. Fox's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Henry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Pott McKee and their little daughter Florence spent last Thursday in town, the guests of Geo. B. Mellott and family.

Mr. Charles E. Cook, who has been spending several weeks in the home of his mother, Mrs. S. M. Cook on north Second St., left Tuesday morning for his home in Illinois.

Dr. Harry C. McClain, of Huxtontown, accompanied by Mr. N. E. Hoover, of Mount Union, made a trip to McConnellsburg in the Doctor's automobile last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Nelson, of Huntsville, O., accompanied by the latter's sister, Miss Lizzie Demory, are spending a few weeks among relatives and friends in the Cove.

Miss Murnie Rummel, who had been employed at Wilson College, Chambersburg, during the winter, came home last Saturday evening, on account of the illness of her grandmother, Mrs. James W. Rummel.

Albert Hays returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Hays, of this place, Monday evening, after a three-years' absence in Colorado. Albert is looking as though the climate of Colorado had been beneficial to him.

After having spent three weeks at his home in Clear Ridge, assisting his home folks in the care of his father, T. E. Fleming, Esq., who has been confined to his room since last fall with a stubborn attack of sciatica and neuralgia, John Fleming returned to McConnellsburg Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Rodgers, of McKeesport, Pa., spent several days among friends and relatives in this community. They were called here on account of the death of the latter's mother, Mrs. Mary Motter. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers spent from Saturday until Monday with Mrs. Rodgers' sister Mrs. Elizabeth McEl-downey, near Gem.

Mrs. Mary Brewer who was called here on account of the death of her father, Mr. R. M. Kendall, has been detained on account of the illness of her little daughter, Ella, who has typhoid fever. Ella's step-sister, Miss Roberta Brewer, of Hagerstown, Md., arrived on Monday, to help take care of Ella, so that Ella's mother could return to her home at Pennington, New Jersey.